

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO ENDURE THE SAME AMOUNT
OF FLOOD DAMAGE IN THE FUTURE...**



CONSIDER FLOOD MITIGATION!

FEMA operates several Mitigation grant programs that may help you elevate your home above the next flood water event, significantly reducing damage to your home. OR,

RELOCATE your home out of the floodplain and possibly never be flooded again,



OR if your home is considered completely destroyed consider applying for a FEMA Mitigation grant to buy out your home. As a standard real estate transaction, your city, county or Tribal Nation buys the home and land at fair market value and it becomes open space while you get a fresh start somewhere else out of the floodplain.

CAUTION: FEMA Mitigation Grants are most often (but not always) a 75% share of the total cost of the project and there is a 25% local match. Your home and land must also meet a minimum Cost Benefit Ratio and be advised it may take a year from the date of the Presidential Disaster Declaration until Close Out of the deal, but it does offer you a possible solution to reduce or permanently eliminate your exposure to flood damage in the future.

CONTACT: First talk to your local jurisdiction Disaster & Emergency Services Coordinator and ask them to contact:

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